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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Responsive to the Office Action mailed April 7, 1995, applicant hereby submits

1) A Response to Restriction Requirement, 2) an Information Disclosure Statement, including
a Form 1449 and the documents cited therein, and 3) a Request For Change Of Address. It
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Response to Restriction Requirement

In the Office Action mailed April 7, 1995, the claims were divided into three groups, Group I, claims 1-5, 7-8 and 14-19, drawn to antibodies and methods of making recombinant antibodies; Group II, claim 6, drawn to an antibody and a cytokine or inducer of cytokine expression and Group III, claims 9-13, drawn to methods of treatment.

Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-5, 7-8 and 14-19, without traverse.

Information Disclosure Statement

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, applicants cite the following publications, copies of which are enclosed. The publications marked with an asterisk are unavailable at the present time. Copies will be submitted shortly.

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While this statement is believed to include all of the material presently known to applicants, it should not be interpreted as a representation that an exhaustive search has been conducted or that no better art exists. Moreover, applicants invite the Examiner to make an independent evaluation of the cited art to determine its materiality and relevance to the subject matter of the present application. Applicants are of the opinion that their claims patentably distinguish over the prior art referred to herein, either alone or in combination.

Favorable consideration of claims 1-19 is earnestly solicited.

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